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UNIT NEWS

Unit I: Effective August 13, Unit I will be following the new dress code. It was voted upon and passed July 26. The code requires the boys to wear washable pants, no blue jeans or no purex pants. Boys also wear white shirts and uniform tops. The girls wear white or solid colored uniforms. This involves all personnel as well.

Unit V: The patients of Unit 5 participated in and enjoyed the Unit picnic July 11 held at Mormon Gulch west of Basin.

The Unit welcomes Ms. Patti Hathaway, BMS, and Marynell Boscarich, housekeeper. So long, John Dienum and good luck. Congratulations to Elvina Christensen and Robert Abbott on your promotions to A.C.III.

Happy Birthday to Diane Csuesai, Rita Schmitz and Sheila Walley.

SUPT. PERRY ACCEPTS POSITION

Mr. Bob Perry, superintendent of the Boulder River School and Hospital has accepted a position as Regional Director and Chief Executive Officer of the institution at Gainesville, Florida, as of September 1.

The institution at Gainesville is the oldest and largest of Florida's institutions with 2,000 patients and 1300 employees. They operate on an annual budget of over 12 million dollars.

Perry's responsibilities in the Gainesville region will be the same as they have been for the State of Montana. Florida hopes to implement the programs which have been started in Montana.

Perry will also, once a month, meet with the heads of various departments at the University of Florida for purposes of coordination.

SAFETY NOTES

"THE SAFETY OF THE PEOPLE is the supreme law!" Such a quote is certainly appropos in this day of ecology and pollution. (Williams-Steigher Occupational Safety and Health Act, OSHA). However, the original quote was not made recently, nor was it made in English but was made in Latin some 2,000 years ago by the Roman, Cicero, who stated it:

"SALUS POPULI SUPREMA LEX"

Safety was paramount then, and it is today. It is our toughest challenge, for safety has to do a 100 percent effective job, 99 percent is not enough. Its objectives are almost impossibly demanding.

What do we mean when we say "SAFETY?" What do we think when we hear "SAFETY?" The meaning we associate with this word is being shaped by many things: our experience, the work we do, the thoughts we think, the way our parents used the word, and our outlook on life and our fellow man.

"A journey of ten thousand miles starts with a single step."

--- A Chinese proverb often quoted
by John F. Kennedy

ON THIS DAY

Mend a quarrel. Search out a forgotten friend.
Dismiss suspicion and replace it with trust.
Write a love letter. Share some treasure.
Give a soft answer. Encourage youth.
Manifest your loyalty in a word or deed.

Keep a promise. Find the time.
Forego a grudge. Forgive an enemy.
Listen. Apologize if you were wrong.
Try to understand. Flout envy.

Examine your demands on others.
Think first of someone else.
Appreciate, be kind, be gentle.
Laugh a little more.

Deserve confidence. Take up arms against malice.
Decry complacency. Express your gratitude.
Worship your God. Gladden the heart of a child.
Take pleasure in the beauty and wonder of the earth.

Speak your love.
Speak it again.
Speak it still again.
Speak it still once again.

BRS&H RECEIVES GRANT

Boulder River School and Hospital has just received a \$15,000 Developmental Disability Mini Grant of National Significance from HEW for Institutional Reform and Deinstitutionalization.

The project will be headed by Jim Whealan, planning coordinator, and will involve all supervisors and many other BRS&H employees who will be asked to sit on various committees for the purpose of evaluating deficiencies of the institution and developing plans to correct these deficiencies.

Institutional reform and deinstitutionalization is needed if BRS&H is to meet accreditation standards set up by the accreditation council for Facilities for the Mentally Retarded. This council evaluated BRS&H last year and found that BRS&H did not meet their accreditation standards. By identifying substandard aspects of the institution's facilities and programs, identifying resources potentially available for improving conditions within the institution, a plan can be devised which will lead to the achievement of accreditation standards. When completed, this project will have developed a written plan for developing, improving, and up-dating BRS&H.

RECREATION CORNER

The big treat this week is the carnival and rodeo in Helena. July 26 sixty patients were bussed to the carnival where they received free rides and treats, compliments of the rodeo association. Also on the 26th, thirty-five patients attended the night rodeo. The rodeo association also donated tickets for the occasion.

The week of the 23rd the non-amb and blind-deaf patients attended the summer day camp sessions. The camp usually started at 8:30 in the morning, came back for lunch, and spent a little more time camping in the afternoon. The week of July 30 there will be no day camp session. Instead there will be clean-up and preparation for overnight camping sessions coming up in August.

Recreation personnel people have certainly appreciated the volunteer help from the Youth Service Corp group this week.

SHOW AND TELL

July 26 Dr. Pallister and Dr. Opitz gave an enlightening and informative presentation on kinds and causes of mental retardation. All who attended enjoyed it and found it to be helpful to them in their particular work areas.

WELCOME NEW EMPLOYEES

Gannon, Kathy	-----	Medical Technician
Gerry, Jeri	-----	Medical Secretary
Hagen, Paul	-----	Special Vol. Counselor
Hohmann, Vicki	-----	A.C. Trainee
Howard, Douglas D.	-----	Part Time
Jacobsen, Darlene	-----	A.C. Trainee
Norris, Marylee	-----	A.C. Trainee
O'Connor, Shaon L.	-----	L.P.N.
Pallister, Chris	-----	Groundsman
Skiftun, Arthur	-----	Social Worker
Thompson, Jennifer	-----	A.C. I
Tuckerman, Gayla	-----	A.C. Trainee
Boshovich, Marinell	-----	Trainee
Campbell, Christina	-----	Trainee
DeMers, Marilyn	-----	Trainee
Goodnough, Lawrence	-----	Medical Student
Guilbault, Larry	-----	Housekeeping Attendant
Hansen, Gaynell	-----	Trainee
Howard, George	-----	Housekeeping Attendant
Hunt, James W.	-----	Trainee
Hunt, Michael	-----	Trainee
Huntington, George	-----	Trainee
Klimpel, Steven	-----	Housekeeping Attendant
Platt, Michael	-----	Housekeeping Attendant
Sage, Jack	-----	Trainee
Schock, Barbara	-----	L.P.N.
Schreter, Janet	-----	R.N.
Seccomb, David	-----	Housekeeping Attendant
Tobin, Raymond	-----	Trainee

NEWS BRIEFS

...Our current patient population as of July 20 is 617.
...Our current staff population as of July 18 is 473.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot
change ... Courage to change the things I can ... and
wisdom to know the difference.

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News and Views represents you. Your announcements and news items
can be mailed or called in to the Volunteer Services Coordinator

Anyone have any suggestions for a new name for this paper? If so
send them to the Volunteer Services Coordinator.

THANK YOU

As members of the Youth Service Corps we would like to offer our sincere thanks
and appreciation to all the employees and patients who made our service here
a memorable and meaningful time. We have all grown a lot this summer because
of you and we hope we've made things a little easier for you.

Thank you very much.

Paul and Brenda Hagen

